

Minutes for the FRMAC / State Bi-annual Conference Call
July 6, 2005
8:00 – 9:30 Pacific Time

I. Attendees

The bi-annual FRMAC conference call occurred on July 6, 2005 with the following attendees:

State

Arizona	Illinois	New Jersey
California	Indiana	New York
Canada	Kansas	North Dakota
Delaware	Massachusetts	Ohio
Florida	Minnesota	Pennsylvania
Georgia	Missouri	Tennessee
Idaho	New Hampshire	Vermont

Agencies

CDC	FEMA Region 7	RAP Region 4
CRCPD	FEMA Region 8	RAP Region 5
BN	FEMA Region 10	RAP Region 6
DHS	HPS	RAP Region 7
EPA	INEL	RAP Region 8
FDA	LANL	REACTS
FEMA HQ	LLNL	SNL
FEMA Region 1	NNSA/HQ	USDA
FEMA Region 6	NRC	

After the State and Federal roll call, DOE NNSA/NSO opened the discussions with a welcome to everyone and discussed the following agenda items.

II. Status Reports on Manuals/ Working Groups

DOE/FRMAC is currently updating the FRMAC manuals to become NRP and NIMS compliant. They should be available on CD and on the DOE website by December 31, 2005. The current version of the FRMAC DOE website is not user friendly. The new website is under revision to include the new manuals, events, etc. The new address will be sent via e-mail as soon as it is up and running. As well, these manuals will be available on cd. Specific updates to manuals include:

- THE FRMAC Operations Manual will have new appendices; Logistics, Position Descriptions, etc.
- The FRMAC Health and Safety Manual is in the process of being updated. A conference call is scheduled at the end of July. (Chair: Robb Hadley, LLNL)
- The FRMAC Assessment Manuals are making minor changes to include weathering factors, usage of proper equations, the usage of a comparison analysis with other methods, to develop predictive methods, and incorporating DNE and RDD scenarios and guidelines.

Turbo FRMAC will try to be released soon with new updates to include health functionality and address user interface difficulties. If you would like to receive more information on Turbo FRMAC or be a beta tester, please send John Fulton or Angela Kalling an email. (

jdfulto@sandia.gov or kallinam@nv.doe.gov) (Chair: Art Shanks, SNL)

- THE FRMAC Laboratory Analysis Working Group will have a meeting on July 26-27th, 2005. (Chair: Erik Nielsen, BN)

The National Response Plan and the Nuclear Annex has been published. (DHS/FEMA)

EPA 400 Manual is still in the process of being revised pending from the DHS document that should be coming out late this summer. A complete draft may be delivered by late this year.

CDC is currently updating the Advisory Team Procedures, Training, Training in Agencies, Outreach Presentations for States and agencies.

III. Federal and State Status / Information

FRMAC has been re-constructed to have a new three phase concept. The first phase will include commercial air with four hour wheels up for 31 people and 24 hour operations. The second phase has an additional 32 people with 12 wheels up. This will include some Laboratory Analysis. The third phase will be 24 hour wheels up with mobile laboratory.

The development for a reach back capability to various DOE/NNSA Home Teams is being finalized.

CDC had the round table with minutes on population monitoring. They are currently working on delivering training and working towards hospitals having nuclear radiation equipment to measure internal contamination. Contact Colleen O'Laughlin or Angela Kalling to receive minutes from CM Wood. (olaughlin@nv.doe.gov or kallinam@nv.doe.gov)

IV. Conferences / Training / Outreaches / Exercises / Next FY06

Conferences

A recent for the National Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference was held in April in Harrisburg, PA. To receive minutes from this conference, please visit the website, www.nationalrep.org . The next National Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference is scheduled for March 27-30, 2006 in St. Louis, Missouri. If you have speaker topics and/or topics on workshops, please send them to Kim Steves at KSteves@kdhe.state.ks.us .

The Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors is scheduled for the week of May 7th in Detroit, Michigan.

The FEMA Radiological/Hazmat Conference (FEMA Region 7) will be held on Aug 19-20 in Kansas City with a brief FRMAC Overview.

Training

Completed the last training for RAPTER that included training Team Leaders/Captains. There was good participation from the CSTs and FBI. (Initiative is to better train CSTs, maybe online).

RAD Round-up had very good participation and interaction. The purpose was to let each organization understand other organizations of their capabilities, resources, and to build relationships amongst other groups. They conducted equipment demos, discussions, and facility field exercise activities. Date and location information will be provided to you via e-mail once the next Rad Round-up is scheduled.

CM Training is the first week of August 2005 in Las Vegas, NV and will end with a Capstone Drill.

Food Emergency Response Network (FERN) Training Course will be conducted the week of July 19-21, 2005 in Winchester, MA. An overview of FRMAC and Advisory Team functions will be covered.

Nuclear Power Plant Exercise and Outreaches

The Vogtle NPP IPX included states, locals, utilities, and federal agencies. It started out as a field exercise ended up as table top due to weather. It turned out to be a successful exercise.

The Grand Gulf NPP IPX included states, locals, utilities, and federal agencies. DOE provided minimal. There was very good interaction with maps.

The Vermont Yankee NPP IPX included states, locals, utilities, and federal agencies. This was an enhanced exercise for FRMAC. The FRMAC Web was used for access to maps. State was pleased as a FRMAC Set-up. However, the drill in March was not a good preparation for the exercise for the State. Suggestions of a briefing on Technical Overview for FRMAC before exercise would be helpful. The States thought it was a good learning experience, but would like a more detailed/technical outreach and participation in the drill by FRMAC.

The Hanford Exercise included states, locals, utilities, and federal agencies. The State was very pleased with outcome, support, field activities, and products.

The Plant Farley NPP IPX will be an evaluated exercise for Alabama with participation from Florida and Georgia. FRMAC will provide support with maps.

Palo Verde NPP IPX will include states, locals, utilities, and federal agencies. This will be an enhanced exercise for FRMAC. Both EPA and DOE/NNSA will provide mobile laboratories. Pet portal monitoring will be also demonstrated.

Calendar Year 2006

- Pluto New Horizons - Real Deployment (NASA, FL, DOE) in January timeframe
- Seabrook NPP IPX (states, locals, utilities, federal agencies)
- Fermi II NPP IPX (states, locals, utilities, federal agencies)
- Beaver Valley NPP IPX (states, locals, utilities, federal agencies)
- Braidwood NPP IPX (states, locals, utilities, federal agencies)

V. Next Call

We appreciate your participation on this call. The next call is scheduled for Wednesday, January 4, 2006 from 8:00 - 9:30 Pacific Time.